## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

## OLIGONUCLEOTIDE AND ITS USE TO MODULATE THE EXPRESSION OF THE BETA-1 ISOFORM OF PROTEIN-KINASE C AS A SKIN DEPIGMENTATION AGENT

This invention relates to oligonucleotide sequences and their derivatives.

These oligonucleotide sequences are capable of hybridising with the genes or with products of the genes coding for the PKC-beta 1.

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This invention also relates to the use of these oligonucleotide sequences as a depigmenting or bleaching agent for the skin in a cosmetic composition or in a topical pharmaceutical composition.